REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated July 12, 2004, the Claims Amendments section of the Applicant's response, previously filed on June 28, 2004, is re-presented including original claims 1-8, which were canceled in the Preliminary Amendment filed on July 19, 2001. Claims 9-25 are properly listed.

It is believed that the addition of canceled claims 1-8 to the Claims Amendments section brings the Amendment into compliance. Accordingly, allowance of the claims of the application is respectfully requested. If any issues remain, however, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Applicants' attorney at the telephone number of record in order to expedite the prosecution of this patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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